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Sir:

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 - 1b. ☒ Copies of IDS citations.
 - 1c. ☒ An English language copy of search report from a counterpart foreign application or a PCT International Search Report.
 - 1d. ☒ English language translation Abstract (complete or relevant portion(s)) attached to each non-English language publication.
 - 1e. ☐ Explanations of Relevancy of References (ATTACHMENT 1(e), hereto) for providing a concise explanation of each non-English publication.
 - 1f. ☐ List of Copending Applications (ATTACHMENT 1(f), hereto).
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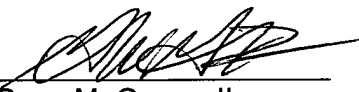
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